

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: COMMUNITY ACCESS  
CONTROL IN A MULTI-  
COMMUNITY NODE

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF**  
**JULY 13, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of July 13, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.